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Greetings,

I think it's great that Microsoft wants to help out financially ailing schools. However, I think that Microsoft's proposal is not a punishment by any means. The cost to Microsoft would be minimal while the "retail" tax write off would be considerable. Not to mention the potential future market domination enabled by "teaching" children using Microsoft Software.

I suggest to amend their proposal and have the contributions be made in the form of cold hard cash with no strings attached. The school systems could use the money to buy any sort of necessity from any company that is in the best interest of the school. If Microsoft is sincere about their intentions of proposing self punishment that contributes positively to society, there shouldn't be a problem with my suggestion.

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